Statement

Allocation of Rice, Wheat, Kerosene Oil and Controlled Cloth to Rajasthan for the last three years.

		(Figures in '000 tonnes)			
		1985	1986	1987	1988*
1	Rice	16.0	24.0	30.0	8.0
2	Wheat	380.0	690.0	800.0	250.0
3	Kerosene Oil	187.740	196.648	224.181	42 472
		1984-85**	1985-86**	1986-87**	
4	Imported edible oils		9.18	6.00	17.00
		(Figures in bales)			
		1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	
5	Controlled Cloth	6897	4496	11840	

*Figures for January & February' 88.

**Figures for the Oil year November to October.

Sale of nut coke by the employees of Durgapur Steel Plant

1709. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA

Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the authorities of the Durgapur Steel Plant supply 50,000 tonnes of nut coke at subsidised rates to its workers and officers every year;

(b) if so, what is the total quantity and the total cost of the nut coke supplied to workers and officers in 1987;

(c) whether Government are aware that many of the officers and workers sell this nut coke in the open market, as reported in the daily Telegraph dated the 29th December, 1987;

(d) if so, what are the details in this regard and whether enquiry has been made and action taken against those found responsible; and

(e) what steps are being taken to stop misuse of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) Yes, Sir. Durgapur Steel Plan supplies around 50,000 tonnes of coke fractions, which also contain nut coke, every year to the Employees' Cooperatives for distribution amongst the employees.

(b) The total quantity of coke fractions released for the period January-December, 1987 was 46,623 tonnes. The price of the total quantity

applied during the period January-December, 1987 is approximately Rs. 2.8 crores.

(c) to (e) The Government is aware of the news item published in the Telegraph of Calcutta on 28.12.1987. However, no instance of officers and workers of Durgapur Steel Plant selling the coke fractions in the open market has come to the notice of the Government. Recently, Durgapur Steel Plant have detected some blank coke cards with forged signatures which apparently have been printed unauthorisedly. However, in the cards no entry of supply and receipt of coke has been seen.

With a view to exercising stricter and effective control, all the relevant data regarding the issue of coke cards to employees are being computerised so that quicker and regular scrutiny of issues is done.

Seeds and other assistance to Farmers

1710. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any programme for providing seeds and manure at cheaper rates and other assistance to the farmers in the States to increase agricultural production; and

(b) if so, the details of such assistance given to the farmers in the State of Rajasthan during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of assistance given to Rajasthan by the Government of India during the last 3 years under various Schemes are given in the attached statement. (*See* below)

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Details of assistance given to Rajasthan during the last three years

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Grant-in-aid released		
		1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
1	2	3	4	5
1	National Watershed Development Programme for Rainfed Agriculture	..	..	99.61
2	National Oilseeds Development Programme .	123.32	80.55	51.83
3	National Pulses Development Programme . .	18.60	23.79	27.53
4	Rice Minikit Scheme	..	..	0.12
5	Wheat Minikit Scheme	6.25	1.86	3.00
6	Millets & Maize Minikit Scheme . . .	5.96	9.41	9 60
7	Assistance to Small and Marginal Farmers .	497.58	325.68	88.50
8	Intensive Cotton Development Programme .	23.56	14.16	..
9	Centrally Sponsored Scheme in establishment of Farmer's Agro Service Centres for Custom Hiring and popularisation of improved Agricultural implements of handtools . .	4.64	2.39	18.04
10	Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Control of Pests and Disease of Agricultural Importance .	6.78	5.91	5.70